THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) There is no let up in the efforts of Pak ISI in fomenting terrorist activities in various parts of the country including Maharashtra. Two espionage cases were detected in Maharashtra in June, 1999 and 4 persons were arrested in Mumbai and six in Pune for passing on defence related information to Pakistan.

Further, in December 1999/January 2000, Mumbai, Police arrested 4 persons in connection with some serious offences. Some of them were involved in conspiracy to hijack IC-814 along with Pak nationals.

(c) To check activities of Pak ISI, some states have taken special measures including setting up of special cells, task forces, strengthening of the intelligence machinery etc. Central Government also provides financial assistance to State Government for modernisation of their police forces in order to equip them to deal with terrorism and other security related problems more effectively.

Central Government has been sensitising the State Governments about the threat perception and movement of ISI agents activists, periodic coordination meeting are also held with State Governments for sharing the inputs from various quarters as well as devising strategies to counter such activities. Various security agencies belonging to Union and States have been working together to check the activities of ISI agents. As a result of coordinated action, a number of ISI backed modules have been neutralized.

Shiphoning of Funds by the Governing Body of IGSSS

3419. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Indo-German Social Service Society, New Delhi (IGSSS) is maintaining and operating a large number of current and fixed deposit accounts throughout the country in various banks violating the FC(R) Act and relevant rules;

(b) whether it is also a fact that governing body members of this society are siphoning large amount for their personal purposes; and

(c) if so, what action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There is no information to this effect.

(c) Suitable action under the provisions of the Froeign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 would be taken in the matter after the additional details sought from the Society are received.

Match fixing in Pepsi cup cricket

3420. SHRI ABNI ROY:
SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU:
SHRI V.P. DURAISAMY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Police has recently exposed a racket of Cricket match fixing and nabbed some persons involved in it;

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that South African captin Hansie Cronje and other players were involved in this murky deal;

(d) whether Government have since investigated the matter;

(e) if so, the details thereof and *modus-operandi* of such racket; and

(f) the steps taken by Government to check such rackets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (f) Delhi Police have in connection with alleged match fixing in the recently concluded Cricket Series between India and South Africa lodged an FIR in which Mr. Hansie Cronje has been named as one of the accused. The case has been taken up for investigation. Two persons have been so far arested in connection with the alleged match fixing.

Other than the aforesaid case, the Government does not, at this stage, have any specific complaint against particular Indian Cricketeers or office bearers of the Board of control for Cricket in India.

National award to Mata Nirmla Devi

3421. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that most revered Mataji Nirmala Devi, the founder Chairperson of Vishwa Nirmala Dharma has evolved solutions to common problems of human life, by way of Sahaja Yoga through simple method of Kundalini;